

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
STEEL  
LOK SABHA**

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Revival of Sick Steel Plants

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**Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of all functional/profit making/loss-making/sick/ public and private sector steel plants in the country at present, plant-wise and State-wise particularly in Karnataka and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to revive/revitalize the sick/loss-making steel plants in the country and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up new steel plants including small and medium steel plants in various parts of the country, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Karnataka, Odisha and Maharashtra; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to make these steel plants operational in a time-bound manner?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

(a) Steel is a deregulated sector. The role of the Government is that of a facilitator. As per data available, there are about 1189 functional steel plants producing crude steel in the country, including Karnataka. The State/UT-wise details of number of functional steel plants in the country, including Karnataka are at Annexure. Data regarding profit making/loss-making/sick steel plants in the private sector is not maintained by Ministry of Steel. There are two Steel manufacturing Central Public Sector Enterprises under the administrative control of Ministry of Steel namely Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL). Financial Performance of SAIL and RINL during 2015-16 was Rs. (-) 4137 crore and Rs.(-) 1421 crore respectively and during 2016-17 was Rs.(-) 2833 crore and Rs. (-) 1256 crore (Provisional) respectively. Both are not sick CPSEs. Financial performance of steel companies depends on several factors which inter alia include cost of raw material, technology, prices of finished products, trade scenario, etc.

(b) The Government has launched the 'Make-in-India' initiative to focus on manufacturing and infrastructure, which promotes the demand and consumption of steel in the country. The Government on 08.05.2017 has notified the National Steel Policy, 2017 and the policy for providing preference to Domestically Manufactured Iron & Steel (DMI&SP) in Government procurement. These policies provide conducive environment for development of iron and steel sector. In addition, Government has also taken measures like imposition of Safeguard Duty, Anti-Dumping Duty and notification of Steel and Steel Products (Quality Control Order) 2012 etc.

(c) No Madam.

(d) Does not arise

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